

Minutes
IHM-St. Casimir School PTO
Wednesday, January 20, 2016
IHM East/West Room

I. Welcome & Introduction

Opening Prayer - *Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy his consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Introductions

Mary Blair, Teresa Cherry, Laura OConnor, Bill Drake, Angela Johnston, Anita Magaway, Marsha Green, Rachel Prosen, Robin Kennedy, Wendy Fuller

II. Board Reports

A. Approval of Minutes – Laura O’Connor

- Anita Magaway & Rachel Prosen approved

B. Treasury Report – Mary Blair

- Shonna absent. \$8234.62 in checking. \$2149 box top deposit. Check outstanding under \$100

C. Marketing Report – Angela Johnston & Bill Drake

- Mass mailing sent out Feb 5
- Kindergarten & Preschool open house Feb 25 here 5:30-6:30. Scavenger Hunt with Safari theme, Fun Fun!! Flyers coming, please pass word
- Entertainment night, May 5th (usually in March). We are benefiting from a grant from library to provide circus 6:30-8pm. Dinner is tacos.
- Faith Catholic host 3rd generation at IHM – 2 responses so far
- Yard signs “Catholic schools make the difference”. We have some left. Would you like to display one?
- Mass mailing for diocese campaign , who got it??? Let Angela know if you get one

III. Old Business

A. Middle School Play/Dinner

- Fazolis catering (about \$600). Easy & nice, well-liked & smooth. Lots of spaghetti left-over was donated.
- Kids field trip to watch play was a great idea. Maybe use two buses next year

B. All School Collection for Staff Christmas Gifts

- Success! We will do this again

IV. **New Business**

A. **School Spirit**

- Reviewed ideas, list of classes and numbers of students, \$25 stipend

- a. **January – 8th Grade Room Reps-** Superbowl theme, ODC, posters
- b. **February – 3 Year Preschool (Wendy Fuller)**
- c. **March – 4th Grade (Ann Dennis)**
- d. **April – 3rd Grade (Casie Medina)**
- e. **May – 5th Grade (Katie Young)**
- f. **June – Kindergarten (Tamara Thomas)**

B. **Executive Committee Replacements – Officer Elections & Shadowing**

- Nomination forms are here

C. **Catholic Schools Week**

- a. **Saturday, January 30th – St. Casimir Mass 4pm, Winterfest (pizza/dodgeball)**
5-6:30pm drinks, pizza, veggies/dip, cookies this year
- b. **Tuesday, February 2nd – Teacher/Staff Appreciation Brunch (sign-up sheet)**
Brunch for flexible time to eat
- c. **Friday, February 5th – Student Appreciation (ODC, snack/drink & movie)**
Same this year. Mary will purchase from Sam's Club.
- d. **Sunday, February 7th – IHM Parish Appreciation 11:30am**
Mass/cookies/punch (Shonna Kerrigan – need 2 volunteers to help) Can you help? Open house in North wing also. Kennedy family will help. Mary will set up the boards

D. **Valentine's Classroom Parties - Planning by Room Reps 2/11/16 half day**

E. **Adult Evening March 12th – Lori LaPerriere/Michelle Brittain/Teresa Cherry**

Currently collecting donations for silent auction & raffles. So far we have Lugnuts, signed football from MSU, and a waterpark getaway. Would like Redwings? Tigers? UofM football? Class projects to be auctioned again this year. Family mentors are asked to pass along info. Childcare is a possibility. New flyer will go home with more details. Buffet style meal, beer wine, & pop in the PFC. Teachers will help spread the word. Proceeds will benefit Goeddeke fund. The fund is being used more & more. Athletics now have the gold fundraiser.

V. **Questions/Suggestions/Comments** Conducting a self-study for accreditation again. All done electronically. Hoping to get finished in September.

VI. **Next Meeting – Wednesday, March 9, 2016 @ 5:30pm-** No February meeting

VII. **Closing Prayer – Angela**

Adjournment